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Supreme Court to hear Lee case



The Kentucky Supreme Court next week will hear oral arguments in a case that originated in Lee Circuit Court.

In 2009, James Kidd pled guilty to trafficking in a controlled substance in the first degree. As a result of a plea agreement, he was sentenced to 10 years, probated for five years.

A condition of that probation was that he leave Kentucky for five years.

According to court records, Judge Tom Jones allowed Kidd to return to the state in April 2010 for two months to spend time with his sister, who was terminally ill. When that time expired, Jones allowed two more months.

In March 2012 Jones issued a bench warrant for Kidd after information was received that he was in Owsley County. The Commonwealth, two days later, moved to have Kidd's probation revoked.

Kidd was arrested on March 22, 2012 in Booneville. He had reportedly been visiting his ill mother, but the court had not approved the visit.

A probation revocation hearing was held and Kidd was sent to prison.

Kidd's attorney, John Nelson, had asked that the court consider graduated sanctions against his client.

That was denied when the court concluded, "...there was a substantial risk that Kidd would commit another violation during an extended period of probation; that he was in need of correctional treatment; and that further probation would unduly depreciate the seriousness of his crime."

Nelson also argued that hearsay evidence had been used in the hearing.

Jones, "...overruled the objection on the grounds that hearsay is permissible due to the informal nature of a revocation hearing."

Nelson then appealed to the Kentucky Court of Appeals, which affirmed Jones' decision in August 2013 saying that the, "Commonwealth need only prove by a preponderance of the evidence that a probationer has violated the terms of probation."

On April 9, 2014 the Supreme Court said it would take the case under discretionary review.

President proposes E KY help

In his proposed budget, President Barack Obama includes \$1 billion for Appalachia because of a loss of coal jobs, and related economic issues.

Eastern Kentucky, including Lee and nearby counties could be included because part of the proposal has trees being planted on abandoned surface mines. Jobs would be produced by the planting process, and a base would be set for future growth of the wood-products industry.

Nearby counties, such as Breathitt, would benefit from a proposal to spend \$20 million in training for laid-off miners.

Also included is \$25 million for the Appalachian Regional Commission to aid entrepreneurs in areas hit by the transition away from coal.

Another \$97 million in grants or loans is included for infrastructure projects in the affected areas.

Jobless rate declines

After a one-month increase, Lee County's unemployment rate again declined in December, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training.

The county's November rate was 8.1 percent. That had been the only month with an increase for some time. December's rate was 7.6 percent.

The December 2013 jobless rate in Lee County was 11.3 percent.

Only one county in the Kentucky River area showed an increase from November to December. Wolfe County went from 8.8 percent to 8.9 percent.

The other area counties, their November and December rates are: Breathitt – 8.1 percent to 7.6 percent; Knott – 9.6 percent to 8.5 percent; Leslie – 10.3 percent to 8.7 percent; Letcher – 11.2 percent to 9.9 percent; and Owsley – 8.7 percent to 7.8 percent.

Scott and Woodford counties had the lowest jobless rates in the state during December at 3.7 percent each.

Magoffin County's 11.5 percent was the highest rate in the state.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. They do not include unemployed people what did not look for work during the period.

Three up for parole hearings

Three people, convicted in either Lee or Owsley counties, are eligible for parole hearings this month.

Vernon Brack Goe, who is housed in the Roederer Assessment Center, was convicted on April 21, 2008 in Lee County for robbery in the second degree and trafficking in a controlled substance in the first degree. On July 15, 2011, also in Lee County, Goe was convicted of possession of a controlled substance in the first degree. He is eligible for parole in March.

Tryle D. Tutt is also housed in the Roederer Assessment Center. He was convicted on October 17, 2014 in Lee County of criminal mischief in the first degree. He is parole eligible in April.

Jeff S. Terry was convicted on April 1, 2013 in Owsley County of trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine) in the first degree. He is housed in the Fulton County Jail, and is parole eligible in April.

Black ice causes multiple slides

Law enforcement was kept busy last Thursday (January 29) with black ice causing vehicles to slip of roads in Lee County.

Deputy Sheriff Matt Eversole says that on that day he and Beattyville Police Chief Greg Brandenburg had to push seven vehicles that had gone off KY 52 East just outside of the city.

Only one suffered any damage, and that was slight, Eversole said.

Some vehicles did require being pulled out, he said.



Snow day?

Monday's snow adds a touch of perspective to the fence along the Lee County Courthouse.

E KY health target of two projects

Two projects, one underway and one to come, are aimed at improving the health of people who live in Eastern Kentucky.

Appalachians Together Restoring the Eating Environment, or Appal-TREE, is a collaborative project between the Community Farm Alliance and the University of Kentucky.

According to a press release about the project, "About one in six Kentuckians, or 16.4 percent, struggles with food insecurity..., according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Food insecurity is defined as the lack of reliable access to a sufficient amount of affordable, nutritious food."

The project will work to change that.

The other project is the joint effort of the Appalachian Regional Commission, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky.

The goal is to identify "bright spots" in the area "...where health outcomes are better than would be expected based on unemployment and poverty rates and other community factors."

What is learned there can then be applied elsewhere.

Watch for Hospice Hearts this month

Submitted by Brenna Wallhausser



Local businesses are helping the community show their appreciation and support for hospice by taking part in the annual Hearts for Hospice month.

For the month of February, customers at participating businesses can donate one dollar or more to have their name, or the name of a loved one, displayed on a hospice heart inside the business.

Lee and Owsley county residents can show their appreciation for hospice care at Farmers State Bank, Joe's Meat Market and Peoples Exchange Bank.

Julie Hatfield, special events coordinator at Hospice Care Plus, says the Hearts campaign serves two purposes.

"Hearts for Hospice raises awareness about hospice care and the help and support it gives in the community," said Hatfield. "And the donations are very important to our non-profit program."

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Opinion/News Page

Unpaid coal fines baggage that can ground SOAR

Lexington Herald-Leader

Coal operations controlled by one of SOAR’s most prominent leaders, Inez businessman James H. Booth, owe \$682,076 in overdue mine-safety fines.

Booth’s delinquent fines are far less than the millions owed by some Appalachian coal operators. But Booth is the one who is identified with the bipartisan initiative that’s trying to restart Eastern Kentucky’s long-stalled economy.

Launched in 2013 by Gov. Steve Beshear and U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers in response to a sharp drop in coal jobs, Shaping our Appalachian Region will hold its second summit Feb. 16 in Pikeville.

Booth serves on SOAR’s 15-person executive board as one of nine members who are not elected officials. His company, Booth Energy, is one of SOAR’s first two “founding partners.”

Booth also serves as a University of Kentucky trustee and on the University of Pikeville board. He has chaired Morehead State University’s board, is the state Chamber of Commerce’s past president and was co-chair of a Beshear inaugural.

Booth, who worked weekends as an underground miner to pay his way through Morehead, has diverse business and philanthropic interests. Unlike some who made fortunes in coal, he stayed in the mountains and lives in his native Martin County.

Booth’s success and service symbolize Eastern Kentucky’s potential.

His unpaid mine-safety fines symbolize its baggage.

Kentucky operators accounted for six of the top 10 delinquencies identified by NPR and the Mine Safety and Health News in an investigation aired late last year. Booth was not

in the top 10. West Virginia billionaire Jim Justice, who operates mines in both states, was, with \$2.1 million past due at the time. The highest unpaid penalties, \$4.7 million, belonged to Virginian Horace Garrison Hill who operated D&C Mining in Harlan County.

Not paying safety fines may be the norm for privately-held coal companies in Appalachia. But it’s not the norm in the larger business world or even in the mining industry. Coal, metals and mineral mining operations pay 90 percent of their health and safety fines on time. The small subset that doesn’t is more dangerous and accounts for more injuries to workers, according to NPR’s analysis.

What has this to do with SOAR? Potential new employers and residents will doubt that a fair shake is possible in a place long dominated by an industry that shows contempt for the rules. Residents will doubt the possibility of real change.

Coal mining and preparation operations controlled by Booth owed \$365,515 as of Dec. 19 and by last week \$682,076 in overdue fines, according to the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration.

We tried to contact Booth and were referred to a Booth Energy vice president who never responded after our initial contact.

In a 2013 profile, the Herald-Leader’s John Cheves documented at least \$955,000 in political contributions by Booth and his wife Linda over the previous 15 years. Lack of money isn’t the problem.

As Eastern Kentucky strives to turn over a new leaf, Booth can lead in the most effective way possible — by example — simply by making good on what he owes.

Amusing

By Jim Paxton
The Paducah Sun

The past few days have marked one of the best run-ups to a Super Bowl in memory. The reason is that this time there’s actually something interesting to talk about: cheating.

It has been dubbed “Deflategate” and it stems from the NFL’s confiscation of game balls from the New England Patriots’ sideline in the Patriots’ 45-7 AFC Championship win against the Indianapolis Colts. The Patriots already had a reputation for cheating, but this latest episode set a new marker.

The NFL discovered at halftime of the AFC Championship Game that 11 of the



12 game balls on the Patriots’ sideline had been significantly deflated since a pre-game check. Deflating the balls makes them softer and easier to throw and catch, particularly in the rainy conditions that existed during the game. The investigative focus now is on a Patriot’s locker room attendant who took the balls from an NFL inspection into another room briefly before taking them to the sidelines. It has produced a media field day that may be unrivaled where pre-Super Bowl hype is concerned.

Of course when it comes to cheating the NFL may simply be catching up to other sports.

There’s NASCAR, for instance, where the best drivers are routinely caught with spoilers that are too high or springs that are too low. One of that sport’s more memorable incidents was in 2007 in the run-up to NASCAR’s signature race, the Daytona 500. Michael Waltrip had his qualifying run and his primary car thrown out after NASCAR officials discovered an “unknown substance” in the car’s intake manifold. It was dubbed “rocket fuel” by the press and the media circus almost overshadowed the big race itself.

Then there’s baseball, where cheating is an art form.

There’s the famous Joe Niekro knuckleball incident.

Niekro was pitching for the Minnesota Twins in an August 3, 1987, game against the California Angels. The Angels players complained that on this day, Niekro’s knuckleball had movement not capable of being imparted by mortals. So the umpires walked out to the mound and demanded that Niekro empty his pockets. As he did so, Niekro attempted to throw aside a nail file that he had been using to scuff the ball (although he later claimed it was for manicuring). The incident was captured on national television, and Niekro was ejected and suspended.

Then there’s Sammy Sosa, the former Cubs great who is the only player to hit 60 or more home runs in three different seasons. He was suspended for eight games after his bat shattered in a game against the Devil Rays on June 3, 2003. When the umpires went to retrieve the bat, they discovered the center had been drilled out and filled with cork, a patently illegal modification that is rumored (although physicists have challenged the assertion) to allow batters to hit the ball a greater distance.

Sosa claimed he merely picked up a practice bat, and it was all a mistake. But the fact is he is one of six major league players suspended since 1970 after being caught with a corked bat.

Such scandals admittedly have been less frequent in football. Perhaps it is just a harder game in which to get an edge. If the AFC Championship Game had been closer it might have been a bigger deal, but at this point it seems that most fans see Deflategate as nothing more than something fun to talk about. In the end, it may simply go down as the day football finally caught up with baseball in creative ways to cheat.

Gladie Center closed for maintenance

The Gladie Learning Center in the Red River Gorge is temporarily closed to public visitation. Forest Service officials decided to close the center due to power line maintenance and construction needs.

“Gladie will be without power, as well as telephone and internet service, throughout February and the first part of March,” said Tim Eling, Acting District Ranger with the Daniel Boone National Forest.

“Once the electrical upgrades are complete, fewer power outages are likely to occur, which will help us provide more reliable service for

visitors at Gladie throughout the year,” added Eling.

Maps, firewood permits, and recreation fee passes for backcountry camping on the national forest lands in the Red River Gorge are available at the Stanton office, 705 West College Avenue. Recreational fee passes are also available at several convenience store locations in the area.

The center is expected to reopen on March 9, resuming the summer schedule for visitation from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily.

For more information, contact the Stanton office at 606-663-0576.

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Community Events

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Extension District Board Meeting

The Lee County Extension District Board will meet on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, at 12:00 p.m. at the Lee County Extension Service. An individual / or individuals wishing to address the Lee County Extension District Board should call the Lee County Extension Service at least 24 hours prior to the Extension District Board Meeting and request to be placed on the agenda for that specific meeting. Please include topic or subject matter for discussion. Presenters will be given a 5 minutes time frame to address the board. Meetings of the Lee County Extension District Board are open to the public. For additional information please contact the Lee County Extension Service at (606) 464-2759. Educational programs of Kentucky Cooperative Extension serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

FOR SALE

Rootstock Orders

The Lee County Extension Service is taking order for apple and pear rootstock. The apple rootstock is \$1 and the pear rootstock is \$1.50. All orders must be prepaid. For additional information please contact the Lee County Extension Service.

Eye to Eye

with David Blandford, M.D.

ROBBED OF CENTRAL VISION

Age-related macular degeneration (AMD) is the eye disease that robs people of central vision and for which there is no cure; however, there is hope for slowing its progression. AMD involves the breakdown of the crucial central portion of the retina. As a result, the disease makes it difficult for AMD suffers to see fine detail and read printed material. “Dry” macular degeneration is the more common, less destructive form of the disease. It occurs when deposits called “drusen” collect behind the retina. Since dry macular degeneration can develop into the more serious “wet” form of the disease, it is important to see an ophthalmologist if your vision starts getting blurry or if you have trouble reading or recognizing faces.

This disease attacks the macula of the eye, where our sharpest central vision occurs. This is the vision we use to drive, read, recognize faces, and perform daily tasks. For more information on this subject or to schedule an appointment, call **KENTUCKY EYE INSTITUTE** at **606-666-9393**. We are dedicated to providing the maximum in quality eye care to our patients first and foremost. Located at **540 Jett Drive**, we go beyond expectation and keep abreast of all of today’s technological advances and techniques by committing to continuing education.

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Church Page

A different view

By Betty Crabtree



As I write this (it's 1-7-15) it is so cold and I am so grateful to be warm, but perhaps it's fitting to remind ourselves of something Jesus said in Matthew 25:31-45.

When Jesus arrives (comes back) all the nations will come before him and he will sort the people out, much as a shepherd sorts out sheep and goats, putting sheep to his right and goats to his left.

"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Enter, you who are blessed of my Father! Take what's coming to you in this kingdom. It's been ready for you since the world's foundation. And here's why: I was hungry and you fed me, I was thirsty and you gave me a drink, I was homeless and you gave me a room, I was shivering and you gave me clothes, I was sick and you stopped to visit, I was in prison and you came to me.'

Then those 'sheep' are going to say, 'Master, what are you talking about? When did

we ever do those things?'

Then the King will say, 'I'm telling the solemn truth: whenever you did one of these things to someone overlooked or ignored, that was me – you did it to me.'

Then he will turn to the 'goats,' the ones on his left, and say, 'Get out worthless goats! You're good for nothing but the fires of hell. And Why? Because you did none of these things.'

Then those 'goats' are going to say, 'Master, what are you talking about? When did we ever see you hungry or thirsty or homeless or shivering or sick or in prison and didn't help?'

"He will answer them, 'I'm telling the solemn truth: whenever you failed to do one of these things to someone who was being overlooked or ignored, that was me – you failed to do it for me.'

Thus, those 'goats' will be herded to their eternal doom, but the 'sheep' to their eternal reward."

Life Thoughts

By Billy Davis

Two weeks ago I attended three funerals that were all very well conducted, that I am sure was a great help and support to the deceased's families. The deceased were Brandon Noe, Tom Freeman and Jimmy Chambers.

There are three things that, Thank God, are vital to a funeral.

PRAYER

What would we do in a time of loss or crisis without prayer. Jesus invites us and teaches us to pray and it is through him that our prayers are heard and effective.

There was a fellow that bragged that he didn't need prayer and would never do it. He was offered a very large sum of money if he would promise to never pray. Thinking about it and considering the risk he denies the money and refused the promise.

Prayer is there for any one, any time, anywhere and any situation.

"Our prayer and God's mercy are like two buckets in a well; while the once ascends, the other descends." (Hopkins)

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I

do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son." (St. John 14:13)

Our prayers go out to the families.

MUSIC

Music is a needful and integral part of any funeral service.

We experience some very beautiful music at these services. I am sure it was uplifting to all in attendance. Music has a way of getting down into our soul and touching our hearts.

Some of the greatest messages are given to us through music.

"The highest graces of music flow from the soul." (Emmons)

"Music is the child of prayer, and the companion of religion." (Chateaubriend)

BIBLE

The Bible is the Book of books. It is God's letter and message to us.

What would we do without it in a time of crisis. There is no other sure hope (there are false hopes).

"The man of one book is always formidable: but when that book is the Bible he is irresistible." (W. M. Taylor)

Upcoming Events

CCC choir will begin practicing for the Community Easter Cantata on Wednesday, Feb. 4th at 7:00 p.m. at CCC. All community members are invited to

'Sons of Liberty'

**in concert at
Torrent Church of God
Sunday, February 8th at 11:00 am, acclaimed gospel music group, 'Sons of Liberty' will be in concert during the morning worship service at Torrent Church of God. Sunday School will be at 10:00 am, regular time. Lunch will be served immediately following the music program. Pastor Marvin Hobbs and congregation invite you to enjoy a good time of wonderful gospel music and Christian fellowship, please join us for this special event. The church is located at 1350 Hwy 11, 6 miles south of Natural Bridge State Park. For more information call 606-668-3992.**

Obituaries

Eugene McIntosh

Eugene "Moody" McIntosh, husband of Alberta Riley McIntosh of Beattyville, Kentucky and the son of the late Carl and Bertha Barrett McIntosh, was born in Lee County, Kentucky on January 16, 1935 and departed this life at the Kentucky River Medical Center in Jackson, Kentucky on January, 28, 2015 at the age of 80 years and 12 days. He was a Kentucky State Highway Department mechanic and truck driver

and a member of the Freewill Baptist Church. In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Freddie Ray McIntosh and Larry Eugene McIntosh and wife Gail both of Beattyville; two daughters, Sandra Lee Howard and husband Tommie of Beattyville, and Samantha Ann Levin and husband Ken of Ft. Myers, Florida; seven grandchildren, Jessica Morris, Albert McIntosh, Tommie Lee Howard, Shania Camille Howard, David McIntosh, Alexander Noah Levin, and Jordan Andrew Levin; two great-grandchildren, Caden McIntosh and Brailyn Howard; one brother, Nathan McIntosh of Beattyville; one sister, Elaine Brandenburg also of Beattyville; and a host of other relatives and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents; two children, Nancy and Scotty McIntosh; three brothers, Charles, Carl, Jr., and Russell McIntosh; and four sisters, Betty Cole, Freida Tirey, Fern Fox, and Sue Fox. Funeral services were held Saturday, January 31, 2015 at the Newnam Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Garrett Thomas officiating. Burial is in the Riley Cemetery on West Ridge Road. Newnam Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



Home repair applications are ready

Cumberland Mountain Outreach Ministries Inc., is a faith based non-profit organization for children in the Appalachian region.

The applications are screened and applicants deemed most needy will be top priority. Please keep in mind that all home repairs that cannot be completed in a week will be the families' responsibility. All applications will be presented to a panel and when a decision is made you will be notified to discuss scheduling and other arrangement details. When workers are present an adult from the home must be present. If you have filled out an application previously but were not selected please fill out a new application for review. Application can be found at and returned to the Second Hand Rose.

NOTE: Workers are here for one week so please limit your job list to those that can be completed in this time frame. If all work cannot be completed in one week it will be up to the residence to complete their work. Application must be sent in by April 1, 2015.
The new hours for Second Hand Rose are Tuesday – Friday 10:00 – 5:00.
The Second Hand Rose is having a \$1.00 bag sale.

Robert Glenn Abner

Robert Glenn Abner, 82, husband of Ruby C. Abner, passed away Thursday, January 29, 2015 at Clark Regional Medical Center. He was born in Lee County, Kentucky, on December 31, 1932, to the late Robert Lewis and Salli Abner. He was retired from East Kentucky Power and a member of First Baptist Church. He was a United States Navy Veteran. In addition to his wife, he is survived by 2 daughters, Kathy Lynne (David) Estes of Winchester and Pamela Joy (Chris) Fister of Georgetown; 4 grandchildren, Christopher C. (Mary) Fister, Jr., Nicholas R. Fister, Allison J. (Matt) Baker and Chelsea B. Estes; great grandchild, Christopher C. "Tre" Fister III. He is preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Thomas Abner.

Services were conducted on Monday, February 2, 2015 at Scobee Funeral Home by Dr. John Owen and Rev. Don Burkhead. Burial will be in Winchester Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Christopher Fister, Nicholas Fister, Scotty Spicer, Bill Abner, Danny Abner, Doug Martin, Bill Clark and Paul Smith. Memorial Contributions are suggested to American Cancer Society 1504 College Way, Lexington, KY 40502 and/or First Baptist Church 32 East Lexington Ave., Winchester, KY 40391.



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LEE COUNTY SCHOOL NEWS



Haley Mays, Gabby Kirby, Kathryn Bowman, Owen Minter, and Lauren Perdue

LCMS Academic Team Advances to State

During the KAAC Regional 19 Governor's Cup held on Saturday, January 31, 2015 in Irvine, Kentucky, the Lee County Middle School competed with eleven other schools: Bath, Estill, Herald Whitaker, Jackson County, Jackson Independent, Menifee, Morgan, McNabb Middle, Powell, Sebastian Middle School, and Wolfe. In final over-all points, Lee County Middle School placed fifth out of twelve competing teams. Haley Mays, an eighth grade student from Lee County, placed third in English Composition and will be competing in written assessment at the state level.

The Future Problem Solving team placed second and will be heading to the state competition, which will be at the Galt House in Louisville, Kentucky on March 14-16. Future Problem Solving (FPS) is an internationally recognized, award winning program that fosters critical thinking. FPS encourages investigation, creativity, ingenuity, communication, and cooperative learning. Advancing to the State Competition for LCMS in Future Problem Solving will be Owen Minter, son of Joey and Shana Minter; Haley Mays, daughter of Sharon Mays and the late Steve Mays; Lauren Perdue, daughter of Jeff and Susan Perdue, Kathryn Bowman, daughter of Samantha Bowman, and Alternate Gabby Kirby, daughter of Brad and Alisa Kirby. The topic they diligently worked together on was Propaganda.

Many staff members played a major role in making the Regional Governor's Cup a success: Officials Kim Williams, Tamara Williams, Mrs. Judy Young, and Coach Jeanette Brandenburg. Several parents donated freely of their own time to show their support for the team and school.



Lee County Middle School 2014-2015 Regional Competitors

Front row: Matthew Dylan Williams II, Haley Mays, and James Watterson
Middle row: Kathryn Bowman, Alex Schott, Taylor Roberts, Larissa Kirby, Donald Napier, Skylar Campbell, and Jayden Foister. Back row: Gabby Kirby, Brandon McIntosh, Walker White, Owen Minter, and Lauren Perdue

Old Kentucky Home Solar visits LCHS

Submitted by Richard Payne



On Thursday January 15, 2015, Richard Payne and Chad Clemons, Co-Owners of Old Kentucky Home Solar, LLC and East Kentucky Fence and Security companies, visited the classes taught by Mr. Orville Bennett at Lee County High School.

Also in the classroom was Hannah Stewart, his student teacher.

The purpose of this visit was to educate the young people of our community about the benefits of renewable energy resources with an emphasis on photovoltaic or solar technology that is available.

In addition to this information, the classes were shown about energy efficiency habits that they can begin to form in order to lower their families electricity costs immediately.

The students in these classes were asked to engage the presenters of the program with any and all questions as they began to form them. Their day was cut short due to early release for snow, so they returned to complete all the classes on Monday January 26, 2015. According to Mr. Payne, "These types of solar and energy efficiency projects are becoming more and more necessary in our local families homes as electricity rates are continually on the rise."

Anyone that may have an interest in these types of projects may contact them at [606-276-3019](tel:606-276-3019).



Academic Team Moves On to Regions

Submitted by Lisa Parrett

On Monday January 26th and Tuesday January 27th Lee County High School Academic Team traveled to Owsley County High School for District competition. LCHS had a successful two day with many students placing in written assessment, one student placing in written English composition, and the quick recall team placing second. The students who placed in written assessment, along with the quick recall team, will move on to Regional competition in Letcher County.

Mollie Johnson placed 5th in Math. Dakota Ross placed 4th in Science. Tristan Frye placed 4th in Social Studies. Bethany Kirby placed 4th in language arts and 5th in English composition. Hunter Ross placed 5th in Arts and Humanities

The largest asteroid doesn't quite cut it as a planet

By Alex H. Kasprak

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

From a distance, Ceres might look a bit like any other planet you might see. It's spherical, after all, and that's one of the biggest requirements of planethood. But put it next to any other planet and you would quickly see that it is seriously tiny. It's not even 1/5th the size of Mercury, which is the tiniest planet in the Solar System. This small size is one of the reasons why Ceres is classified as a dwarf planet.

Its location, floating amongst thousands of bits of other space rock in the Asteroid Belt, is another clue that it hasn't reached full planethood. For a space object to be honored with the title 'planet,' it has to have enough gravity to clear away all the junk around it. But, alas, poor Ceres can't muster that kind of gravitational strength.

Still, amongst the other asteroids, Ceres is a giant. Because of this, it is considered both a dwarf planet and the largest asteroid—the only dwarf planet/asteroid in our solar system. It is also the closest dwarf planet to Earth. The others, including famed Pluto, are all near or beyond the orbit of Neptune.

But it's really hard to see. It's tiny, after all, and it's also not especially bright. We haven't really had a chance to take a close look. That is about to change!

After over seven years of travel, a trusty spacecraft named Dawn is fast approaching Ceres. It has already begun to take pictures. As it gets closer and closer, those pictures will become clearer and clearer. It has already revealed a cratered surface. By March, it will enter into orbit around Ceres, giving



Lee County Middle School Site Base Council's regular meetings will be on the last Tuesday of every month at 4:00 in the LCMS library. This will begin on Tuesday, Feb. 24th.

Junior chef competition

The Junior Chef competition is a great way for kids to learn basic cooking skills and gain an appreciation for local foods.

Forms, guidelines, and answers to frequently asked questions are available at the Farm to School Junior Chef website, www.kyagr.com/junior-chef. All required forms, recipes, and the \$150 team entry fee must be mailed to the Kentucky Department of Agriculture and postmarked no later than Feb. 24.

Kentucky students in grades 9-12 are eligible to participate. Each team must have three to five members and may have one substitute. Each team's recipe must include at least five local products and must conform to National School Lunch Program guidelines. Dishes will be judged on taste, appearance, creativity, best and most use of local products, and appropriateness for school food service personnel.

District competitions will open in April, and regional competitions will take place in May. The 16 regional champions will meet to determine the state champion at the Kentucky State Fair in August in Louisville.

For more information, go to the Junior Chef website, www.kyagr.com/junior-chef, or contact Tina Garland, the KDA's farm to school program coordinator, at (502) 382-7505 or tina.garland@ky.gov.



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News - Local/regional

Food inspections released

Food inspections for the final quarter of 2014 have been released by the Lee/Owsley Health Department. Those food establishments that provide both prepared food and groceries have two scores. Any score below 85 is a failure. An overall failing score or a low score in certain categories requires re-inspection.

The name of the establishment, the date of inspection and the score(s) follow:

Booneville BP, 10-2, 87 and 94, a follow up to the 87 was 91; Southside Elementary School, 10-15, 89 with 93 as the follow up; Beattyville Elementary, 10-21, 96; Lee County Head Start, 10-22, 96; Stacey's Grocery, 10-29,

95 and 100; Lee County High School, 10-29, 96; Booneville Elementary, 10-29, 96; and Owsley County High School, 10-30, 98.

Jessie's Slooo Good BBQ, 11-5, 84, follow up 89, follow up 93; The Respite, 11-10, 100; Lee County Middle School, 11-5, 97; Los Two Brothers, 11-12, 93; Kay's Quick Stop, 11-25, 93 and 95; and Bear Track Grocery, 11-25, 96 and 96.

Lee County Care and Rehab, 12-8, 98; Lee County Recreation Center, 12-10, 97; Booneville Shopwise, 12-10, 92 and immediate follow up of 96; Owsley County Senior Citizens, 12-10, 95; Sinclair B&B, 12-11, 98; Owsley County Health Care Center, 12-12,

97; Tom Callahan's Grocery, 12-12, 91; Lee County Senior Citizens, 12-15, 93; Beattyville Early Childhood Center, 12-15, 97; Lee Adjustment Center/Trinity Services Group, 12-16, 98; Hilltop Pizza, 12-16, 98; Bobcat Dairy Bar, 12-17, 95; Judy's Class Catering, 12-19, 98; Spencer's Dairy Bar, 12-19, 87 with a follow up of 91; Sam's Pizza and Subs, 12-19, 96; Lago Linda, 12-23, 98; Apple Market, 12-29, 90 and 96; Dairy Queen, 12-29, 97; Tittletown Day Care, 12-30, 100, Jack's IGA, 12-23, 88 with a follow up of 92 and 95; and Manna Cafe on Main, 12-30, 91.

Starling makes list of “50 Rural Hospital CEOs to know”

Marcum & Wallace Memorial Hospital President & CEO Susan Starling was recently recognized on the Becker's Hospital Review list of “50 Rural Hospital CEOs to Know,” which features some of the most impressive leaders dedicated to advancing healthcare in small towns and rural communities across the nation.

Individuals included on the list include CEOs and administrators of hospitals located outside of a major metropolitan areas or healthcare hubs. This is the second edition of the “Rural Hospital CEOs to Know” list. Starling was one of only two CEOs from Kentucky included on the list. (Leaders did not and cannot pay to be included on the list.)

The Becker's Hospital Review editorial team selected leaders through an editorial review process where a number of factors were considered, including awards received; local, regional and national leadership positions held; and their organizations' recent performance.

Starling's recognition highlighted career accomplishments including being named President and CEO



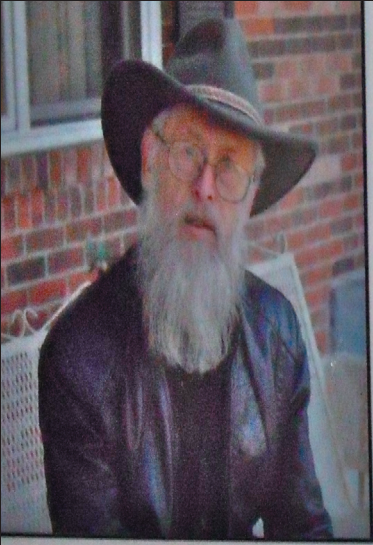
Susan Starling

of MWMH in 2001 and being named the recipient of the 2012 Kentucky Rural Health Association's Dan Martin Award (for dedication to rural healthcare in the state) and the 2013 American Hospital Association's Shirley Ann Munroe Leadership

Award (recognizing the accomplishments of small or rural hospital leaders).

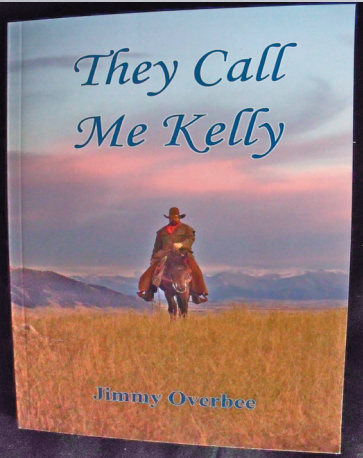
The full list can be read here: <http://www.beckershospitalreview.com/lists/50-rural-hospitals-ceos-to-know-2015.html>

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By local author
Jimmy Overbee

‘Hospice’ from Front

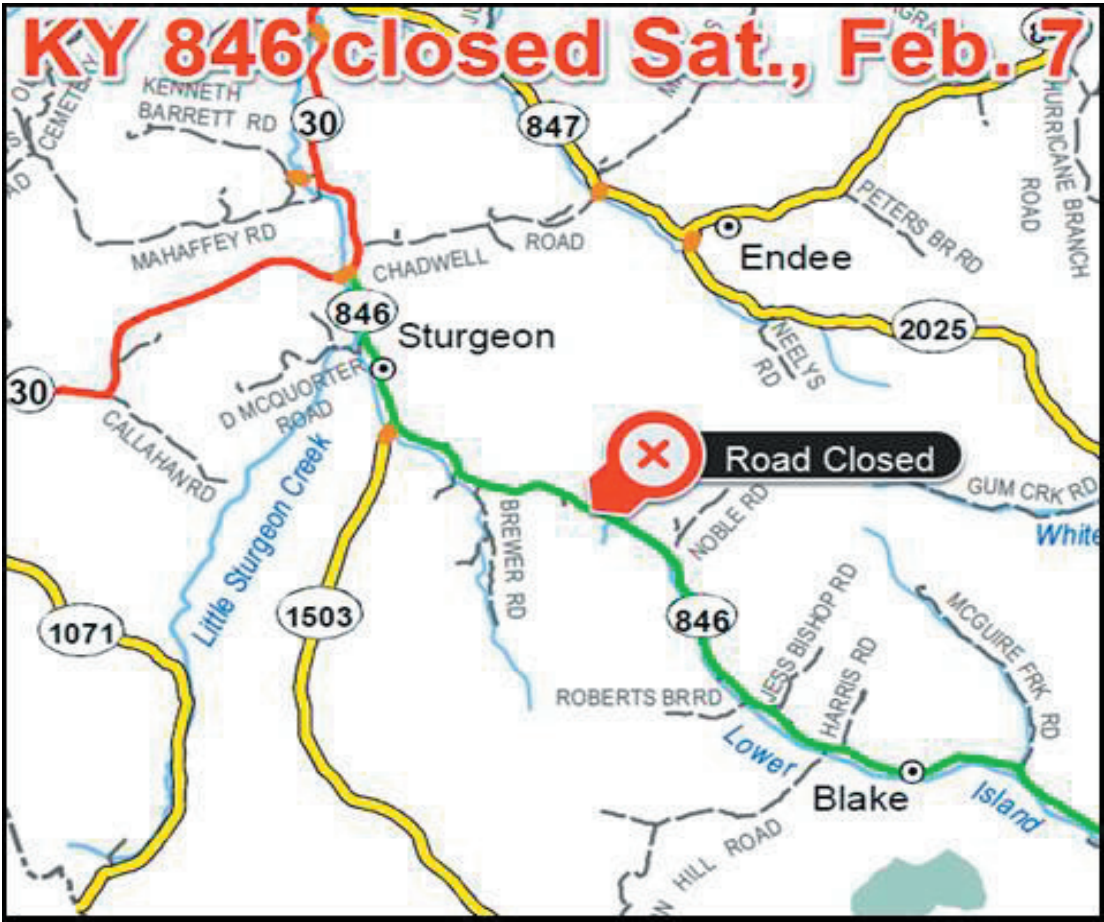
program. Not everyone realizes that, even when we are reimbursed by insurance, it only covers a portion of the care we provide. Plus, we have some programs, such as grief support and palliative care, which receive no insurance reimbursement whatsoever. They thrive only

because of the community's investment in them.”

Hearts for Hospice takes place in all six counties served by Hospice Care Plus and will continue through the end of February. All proceeds support Hospice Care Plus programs: hospice home care, the Com-

passionate Care Center, Bereavement Outreach and Palliative Care Plus.

For more information about Hospice Care Plus, visit hospicecp.org or call 859-986-1500 or 800-806-5492.



KY 846 in Owsley County to be closed Saturday, Feb. 7

In order to replace a drainage pipe, the Kentucky Department of Highways plans to close KY 846 in Owsley County on Saturday, Feb. 7. The road will be closed near milepoint 2.1. The project will begin around 8 a.m. and will continue until approximately 3 p.m. During this time, the road will be closed to all through traffic.

No marked detour will be posted, but drivers can use KY 1503 and KY 1350 as an alternate route. Motorists should plan their trips accordingly.

In case of inclement weather, the closure will be postponed until another suitable date.

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Sharing Hometown Recipes, Cooking Tips and Coupons

By Janet Tharpe

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Add a zing to your Valentine's Day with Malinda Coletta's citrusy-sweet Valentine Sugar Cookies! We used orange zest in our test batch and were thrilled with the refreshingly light flavor. Add your favorite icing, or maybe drizzle with some chocolate, and you have a special treat!

See step-by-step photos of Malinda's recipe plus thousands more from home cooks nationwide at:

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- Janet

Valentine Sugar Cookies

What You Need

- 4 c flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 3/4 tsp salt
- 2 1/2 sticks butter, cut in pieces
- 3/4 c sugar
- 1 large egg, plus one egg white
- 2 tsp lemon, lime or orange zest

Directions

- In a food processor, combine flour, baking powder and salt. Pulse to mix.
- Add butter and pulse until mixture resembles coarse crumbs.
- Add sugar, eggs and lemon zest. Process until mixture resembles wet sand.
- Turn mixture out onto a lightly floured surface; knead several times until dough

comes together.

- Divide into 3 portions; flatten each into a disk.
- Roll each disk to an 1/8-inch thickness between sheets of parchment.
- Stack dough (still in parchment) on a baking sheet; refrigerate 20 min.
- Preheat oven to 375 degrees, with racks in middle and lower thirds.
- Working with 1 dough sheet at a time, peel off parchment (save for baking).
- With lightly floured cutters, cut dough into desired shapes and arrange, 1 inch apart, on two parchment-lined rimmed baking sheets (re-roll scraps).
- Bake until cookies are set but still pale, 7 to 9 min., rotating sheets halfway.
- Transfer cookies to wire racks and let cool completely.
- Using a pastry bag and tip, frost cookies with icing and decorate with sugar!

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The Board of Directors of Kentucky River Community Care, Inc. has a vacancy for a volunteer At-Large Board of Director Representative for Lee County.

The Lee County Representative must be a resident of the County.

We are seeking individuals that have an interest in mental health, intellectual and/or developmental disabilities, and/or substance abuse issues. KRCC is committed to being a diverse Board and therefore, we encourage minorities, and persons under the age of 25 to apply. We also encourage persons with a business or financial background to apply. Board Members are required to attend the monthly Board Meeting at the Perry County Outpatient office in Hazard, Kentucky on the fourth Tuesday of the month. If you can contribute your time, ideas, and leadership one evening a month, and are interested in this opportunity, please send a letter of interest to Dorothy Back, Executive Assistant, Kentucky River Community Care, Inc., 115 Rockwood Lane, Hazard, Kentucky 41701.

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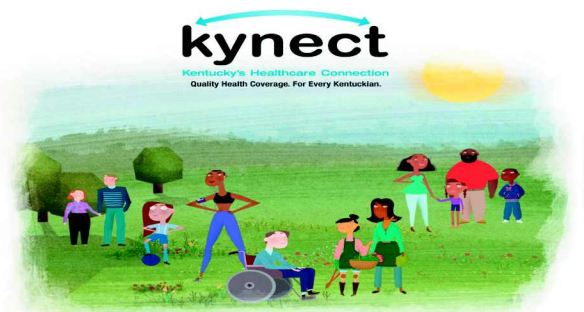
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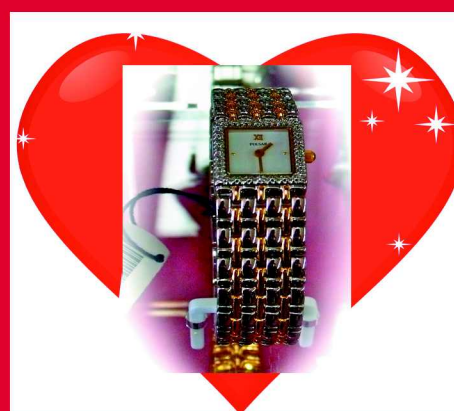
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